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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL, Dec. 4 -- Karen Berry (Edwardsville), junior fullback, completed her third season with the Eastern Illinois University women's field hockey team this past fall. The Panthers finished the season with the best record in the school's history, 17-8-1, and placed in the top eight of AIAW Division II Championships at Ithaca, NY, Nov. 19-21.

"Karen was our Most Outstanding Player at Nationals . . . unstoppable on defense," commented EIU first-year coach Beth Reichel.

"She is exceptionally fast; has the speed to recover back there (on defense) . . . Very consistent. Her carefree attitude rubs off on the team . . . it helps them relax. We will be counting on her next year to be our team leader on defense."

Berry, a Visual Communications major, is a 1979 graduate of Edwardsville High School where she was a member of Coach Sharon Petty's 1978 State championship field hockey team.

Karen is the daughter of Richard and Joan Berry, 705 St. Louis Street, Edwardsville.

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